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FRANKLIN COUNTY MAN GETS “DOUBLE CASH BLOWOUT” OF \$200,000

-A Thanksgiving Visit Turns into \$200,000 for a New York Man-

RALEIGH-Thomas Newton of **Youngsville** was at Kelsey's Mini Mart on Highway 96 in **Franklinton** when he decided to buy one \$10 instant scratch-off ticket. Newton says he usually buys the “\$130 Million Blockbuster” ticket, but the store only had “Double Cash Blowout,” so that's what he bought. It turned out to be a lucky ticket, worth \$200,000!

Newton says his plans for his winnings include giving to charity and investing for retirement. He says he already travels for work, but wouldn't mind going to Tahiti with some of the prize money, too.

Paul Pearson of Brooklyn, New York, was visiting his family in Jacksonville at Thanksgiving when he decided to buy a ticket for the Nov. 22 Powerball drawing. That decision won him \$200,000 when his ticket matched all five white balls drawn.

Pearson plans was uncertain how he would spend his winnings. He bought his winning ticket at CJ Food Store on Gum Branch Road in **Jacksonville**.

In the Dec. 8 “Carolina Cash 5” drawing, one ticket matched all five numbers drawn to win the \$55,247 top prize. This ticket was sold at Wilco on East Ashe Street in **Goldsboro**.

In the Dec. 9 Powerball drawing, two tickets matched four out of five white balls plus the Powerball and are worth \$10,000 each. These tickets were sold at Short stop on Highway 5 in **Pinehurst** and Lowes Foods on Lewisville-Clemmons Road in **Clemmons**.

A total of 27,735 North Carolina Powerball players won prizes in the Wednesday, Dec. 10 Powerball drawing, ranging from \$10,000 down to \$3 for a total payout in prizes worth \$280,959. No one matched all five white balls plus the Powerball to win the jackpot, so the jackpot for the Saturday, Dec. 13 Powerball drawing is an estimated \$40 million.

The North Carolina Education Lottery (NCEL) has paid out more than \$4.8 million total in instant scratch-off ticket prizes since Monday, Dec. 8. Also since Monday, “Carolina Cash 5” players have won nearly \$140,000 and “Carolina Pick 3” players have won more than \$754,000 in prizes.

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Winner in the Nov. 22 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Paul Pearson	Brooklyn, NY	\$200,000	CJ Food Store 1010 Gum Branch Rd., Jacksonville

Winner in the Dec. 8 "Carolina Cash 5" drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Elwood Bryant Jr.	Goldsboro	\$55,247	Wilco 400 E. Ashe St., Goldsboro

Winners in the Dec. 3 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Group of 10 (Shared Prize)		\$50,000	Dunn's Convenient Mart 214 Wilson's Mills Rd., Smithfield
-Marjorie Banks	Raleigh		
-Betty Brooks	Clayton		
-Janice Fleenor	Franklinton		
-Sandra Harris	Raleigh		
-Terry Horton	Wake Forest		
-Richard Howard	Raleigh		
-Cathy Larrison	Smithfield		
-Pamela Lett	Raleigh		
-Sherry Norris	Benson		
-Bertha Williams	Linden		

Winners in the Dec. 9 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Unknown		\$10,000	Short Stop 345 Highway 5, Pinehurst
Unknown		\$10,000	Lowes Foods 2501 Lewisville-Clemmons Rd., Clemmons

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Winners in the Dec. 6 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
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Loraine Clark	Stanfield	\$10,000	Food Lion #345 1004 W. Main St., Locust
Parshotam Khullar	Greensboro	\$10,000	Kashish Food Mart 2321 Battleground Ave., Greensboro
Group of 11 (Shared Prize)		\$10,000	A & W Grocery & Grill Inc. 102 East Tally Ho Rd., Stem
-Robin Barbee	Oxford		
-Tyree Barbee	Oxford		
-David Bowen	Kittrell		
-Cheri Ellington	Henderson		
-Robert Goss	Franklinton		
-Dwine Hunt	Oxford		
-Johnny Riley	Stem		
-Barbara Riley	Oxford		
-Ray Riley	Oxford		
-Kathie Tuck	Oxford		
-Randy White	Oxford		

Winner in the Sept. 27 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Spyros Anagnostopoulos	Fayetteville	\$40,000	Freddy Stop Food Mart 1548 Bingham Dr., Fayetteville

Instant scratch-off ticket top tier prize winners:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Game Played</u>
Thomas Newton	Youngsville	\$200,000	"Double Cash Blowout"
Patricia Hall	Monroe	\$10,000	"\$130 Million Blockbuster"
Burke Brooks Jr.	Norlina	\$5,000	"\$130 Million Blockbuster"
Desiree Faucette	Dudley	\$5,000	"\$130 Million Blockbuster"
Shanna Kirkman	Efland	\$5,000	"Jingle Big Ol' Bucks"
Lemuel McAuley	Greenville	\$5,000	"Jingle Big Ol' Bucks"
Delphine McDuffie	Dunn	\$5,000	"Jingle Big Ol' Bucks"

"Carolina Cash 5" Top Prize Winners Tally	
<u>Prize</u>	<u># of winners</u>
\$50,000 to \$856,998	165
Powerball Winners Tally	
<u>Prize</u>	<u># of winners</u>
\$2 Million - \$200,000	132
\$100,000 - \$10,000	735
(The Powerball numbers above are since May 31, 2006, but do not include unclaimed prizes.)	

100% of the North Carolina Education Lottery net proceeds are used for pre-kindergarten programs for at risk youth, reduction of class size in early grades, school construction and need-based college scholarships.